

SWINDLERS TOOK \$700 FROM BANKER IN "RACING" GAME

Financier Went Home to Get \$10,000 More and Police Set Trap.

JUDGE GAVE HIM TIP. Jubilant Over His Good Fortune Until Jurist Opened His Eyes.

There is a smile on the face of Edward Lee Baxter Davidson, banker and broker of Charlotte, N. C., to-day that almost makes up for \$700 two young men who are up at Police Headquarters took away from him. He had the satisfaction of helping to lay a trap for them.

Banker Davidson is the victim of the old horse race swindle, a game so antique that its whisks should have tickled Mr. Davidson when it brushed against him. He had been met in the Hotel Martinique by an affable young fellow, who invited him to dine. They dined in the Waldorf and afterward the young man met a friend who knew a lot about racing. The banker and his companion took a dolly chance on a horse and the new found friend, George Harris, went away with the money, returning with \$10 that had been "won." The banker was persuaded to plunge and lost \$700 on the next "race."

Instead of allowing him to bemoan his loss, the two young fellows who had also lost heavily, persuaded him to write out a note for \$10,000, which would be accepted as a bet. The banker did and he was overjoyed when he won. He did not receive his winnings, however, for "that would not be fair." He must first show good faith by proving he could raise \$10,000 on his note. In order to get his money he must go home and raise the amount and return with it to show proof that the bet was made on hot air.

Enjoyed, the banker returned, and in Charlotte mentioned his good fortune to Judge Henry Osborne, who happens to be a brother of Lawyer James W. Osborne of this city. The judge knows a thing or two and Deputy Commissioner Dougherty was notified. He arranged the trap, and when the young man greeted the banker on his return to-day detectives pounced on him.

At Headquarters the young man known to the banker as John Spaulding proved to be John Jones and George Harris was recognized by Inspector Patrot as George Hobart, who served two years for swindling in Paris.

KIRBY COMING BACK FOR LOBBY INQUIRY.

Former Head of Association of Manufacturers Starts for Washington.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 1.—Half an hour before the liner Ventura was due to sail to-day for the Antipodes, John Kirby Jr. and David M. Parry, former President of the National Association of Manufacturers, cancelled their reservations and engaged transportation for Washington, where they will appear before the Senate committee investigating the Mulhall charges.

The change of plans will cost them \$1,000 apiece. They promised before leaving to make a public statement.

HARBURGER SAYS:

"I'd Teach Patriotism and Make Citizens Go to Church."

Sheriff Harburger to-day refused to affirm a rumor which gained credence yesterday that he was to be the Tammany candidate for Borough President. Julius is not a candidate, but—

"If I were Borough President," he said, "I would make the Fourth of July a real celebration of American Independence; I would make the last Thursday in November a real day of Thanksgiving; on Lincoln's birthday and Washington's birthday and the days set aside to commemorate the lives of other great men there would be something happening in the Borough of Manhattan that would inculcate the idea of patriotism into every man, woman and child. I also would like to see New Yorkers go to their places of worship in the mornings of the day set aside for that purpose, and would also like to see them able to enjoy innocent recreation after they had finished their day's devotions."

"I would win in a walk along these lines," he concluded.

Tammany Leaves Out Sulzer.

The committee charge of the Independence Day celebration of the Tammany Society has made extensive plans for July 4, but Gov. Sulzer has not been invited to take part. United States Senator Charles S. Thomas, J. Thomas Hottel of Alabama, L. M. P. Pladget of Tennessee, Charles C. Carlin of Virginia, James M. Curley of Massachusetts and other distinguished men are to take part in the celebration. The thirty-ninth Regiment Band and the Tammany Glee Club will furnish music. State Superintendent of Elections John R. Voorhis, present Grand Sachem of the society, will preside.

Police Have Ashes of the Dead.

The police of the E. L. Sixty-seventh street station have in their possession a tin box containing the ashes and bones of a human body, to which is attached a tag with the inscription: "Cremated July 24, 1912. Frank Mohr." The tin box was found in a handbag in the street by a policeman.

CITY-CAMPAIGN FOR BETTER BABIES BEGINS

Conducted by Evening World and Welfare Associations of Five Boroughs

Eighty of the Leading Infant Welfare Organizations of New York Inaugurate To-Day Year's Series of Best Baby Contests.

The Evening World Offers Many Prizes for Healthiest Children, Ranging in Ages From Three Months to Five Years—Others in Work.

Twenty Organizations in Various Sections of the City Already Planning Contests to Be Conducted Along the Lines of Those Successfully Held in the Spring.

New York City is out for a new record—better babies, perfect babies mentally and physically, standard babies, and more of them than any other city in the world—out for a record of supremacy, that all the rest of the United States may emulate.

The record breaking quest begins to-day in the form of a year's series of standardized Better Babies' Contests in numerous districts of each of the Boroughs of New York.

Back of the contests are the Babies' Welfare Association and The Evening World.

The Babies' Welfare Association is a federation between the Division of Child Hygiene of the Board of Health and of eighty of the leading private infant welfare organizations of Greater New York. It undoubtedly represents the most completed co-operative movement for the conservation of infant life and health in the country.

With the Babies' Welfare Association The Evening World will co-operate heartily by offering a series of prizes and throwing its columns open for educational articles and subjects springing directly from the contests.

Seven organizations in as many different districts of the city have already announced their intention of taking part in these contests and a dozen more are completing plans. The three independent contests that were held in the city this spring were merely preliminary and tentative. The series about to be held is based on a new plan evolved from the combined experience gleaned from these previous ones. The purpose will be to spur mothers and welfare agencies to greater efforts in behalf of the city's babies.

This announcement was made exclusively to The Evening World to-day in the preliminary report by a special representative committee of the Babies' Welfare Association appointed to act as a central committee to inaugurate and control these contests.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE WHO WILL ARRANGE CONTESTS.

Dr. Godfrey R. Plsek of the New York Post Graduate Hospital is Chairman of the Central Committee. The other members are Dr. Addison W. Baird of the New York Child Welfare Society; Dr. Roger H. Dennett, New York Post Graduate Hospital; Dr. Stafford McLean of the Babies' Hospital; Dr. A. E. Shipley of the Division of Child Hygiene of the Board of Health; Mr. Arthur E. Wakeman, Director of the Brooklyn Children's Aid Society; and Dr. J. H. C. Baker, Chairman of the Public Health Education Committee of the New York County Medical Society. Dr. S. Josephine Baker, Chief of the Division of Child Hygiene of the Board of Health and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Babies' Welfare Association, is executive member. Dr. Garret Smith, Executive Secretary of the Babies' Welfare Association, will act as secretary to this committee.

The Central Committee reports that this move on the part of the Babies' Welfare Association was prompted by the great manifestation of public interest in the Better Babies' Contests, and requests have poured into the central office on every hand, both from parents who wish to enter their babies in such contests and from organizations which wish to hold them, and look to the Executive Committee of the Babies' Welfare Association as a proper body to act as a direct agency.

FIRST IN FIELD BEGINS REGISTRATION TO-DAY.

The first organization in the field is the Extension Association of Public School No. 91, at Albany avenue and Lincoln road, Brooklyn, which will begin registering babies in the school building to-day.

Following that, the Little Mothers' Aid Association will hold a contest at their house, No. 238 Second avenue, beginning Aug. 1. Other organizations which are laying plans to begin work in the near future are the Chelsea Neighborhood Association on the middle west side, Union Settlement on the upper east side, the Finch School on the middle west side, the Warren Goddard House in West Thirty-fourth street, co-operating with the Klips Bay Neighborhood Association, which will enter babies in the territory between East Twenty-eighth street and East Forty-second street, Fifth avenue and East River, and the United Neighborhood Association of Brooklyn, which covers the territory around the Brooklyn end of the Brooklyn Bridge. The School Extension Association and the Little Mothers' Aid Association will follow up their initial contests with educational work among the mothers, by taking them for entering their babies in a final contest in the fall. The other organizations will register babies in the immediate future and conduct educational work during the summer, preparatory to the contest to be held in the fall.

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SIDNEY ROSS HONORABLE MENTION



LAWRENCE BENBACHER 1ST PRIZE BABY



JAMES FREELY 1ST PRIZE BABY



SUSAN O'CONNELL HONORABLE MENTION



HELEN NOVAK HONORABLE MENTION

main purpose of these contests, which is to interest mothers in the standard of physical perfection in their babies and show them how to get them into perfect condition.

The Babies' Welfare Association is a year old this month, and in taking up this baby contest movement its officers and members believe they are beginning the second year of the federation with the most promising movement yet undertaken to reduce infant mortality and promote the rearing of well developed babies.

MANY INTERESTS JOINED IN BABIES' WELFARE.

The personnel of the executive committee, which is the governing body of the association, illustrates the varied interests brought into co-operation by it. Dr. S. Josephine Baker, Chief of the Division of Child Hygiene, is Chairman of this committee. The other members of the committee are Miss Maria L. Daniels, New York Diet Kitchen Association, representing the Milk Stations; Dr. Henry Fleischman of the Educational Alliance, representing the Settlements and Outing Agencies; Mr. John A. Kingsbury, General Agent of the New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, representing the Relief Societies; Mr. D. J. McMahon, D. D., of the Association of Catholic Charities, representing Day Nurseries; Dr. Godfrey R. Plsek, representing Hospitals and Dispensaries; Mr. Arthur E. Wakeman, Director of the Brooklyn Children's Aid Society, representing the Children's Aid Associations, and Mr. Paul E. Taylor of the New York Milk Committee, representing agencies doing work in infant welfare.

The association, it will be seen, is not a separate organization but a federation of agencies already existing for co-operative work. It conducts a central office in the Division of Child Hygiene of the Board of Health, Centre and Walker streets, which acts as a clearing house for all infant welfare work, and any information regarding the baby contests may be obtained from the secretary of that office.

Among the organizations, therefore, which will co-operate in making these contests a success are: Hospitals taking babies under two years; day nurseries taking such babies; outing agencies which deal with mothers and babies; organizations running milk stations, such as the Division of Child Hygiene of the New York City Department of Health; Diet Kitchens, Nathan Straus Laboratories, the Henry Street Settlement; research organizations like the New York Milk Committee and the Bureau of Municipal Research; relief agencies like the Charity Organization Society, the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, United Hebrew Charities, the New York and Brooklyn Children's Aid Societies, the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities and the Jewish Aid Society.

EVENING WORLD WILL AID IN THE WORK.

The Evening World will offer money prizes for each of the contests. Part of this money will be used in awarding prizes to the highest score baby in the original contest, and part of it—this is the most important prize in view of the purpose of the work—will be offered to babies showing the greatest improvement in a given time as a result of following the instruction given in the educational courses conducted under the direction of the central office. Dr. Stafford McLean of the Central Committee will have general supervision of this educational work, and Dr. Dennett will be in charge of the scoring of the babies.

Not only will The Evening World publish from day to day the interesting details of these contests, together with reports of high scores and winning babies, but also special articles to mothers taking up various phases of baby care and instructing them regarding different diseases to which their children are subject, in order that they may know the dangers that beset them and what they can do to avoid them. These articles will be prepared under the supervision of the expert doctors of the Central Committee. It will be the aim of The Evening World in every way to make this feature of the utmost educational value to mothers.

The score card copyrighted and printed by the Women's Home Companion and Indorsed by the New York Milk Committee will be used in these contests. This card has been prepared by the Better Babies' Bureau of the Women's Home Companion, assisted by Dr. Roger H. Dennett of New York. It represents the results of experience gained from many contests held in this city and elsewhere in the last year, to which some of the leading baby specialists in the country have contributed. This card is being used all over the country and is now under consideration by a special committee of the American Medical Association. The Companion will furnish these cards free of charge in any number required to all organizations conducting contests, together with a booklet of advice to mothers as to the care of their babies. The work here will, therefore, be a part of the national movement which is gaining such impetus this year in nearly every State in the Union.

MOTOR HOSE CART BALKS.

Fire Department Mechanicians Work 40 Minutes to Start It.

Five hundred persons sweltered in the heat at Broadway and Chambers street during the noon hour to-day and watched the frantic efforts of a squad of husky firemen to get one of Commissioner Johnson's new motor hose carts in motion. The big truck was stuck in the line of traffic about forty minutes. The Fire Department mechanicians finally got the spark going.

The truck, No. 7, was one of seven pieces of fire apparatus which responded to an alarm sent in from Broadway and Warren street. Supt. Joseph Jackson of the Stewart Building saw a column of smoke coming from a manhole directly in front of the building. He dispatched an elevator man to the alarm box. Several firemen dropped down a thirty-foot ladder with a line of hose and extinguished several burning joints holding up the sidewalk near the subway construction work. The damage was slight.

X-RAY GOWN LATEST IN TRANSPARENCIES; TIGHTS GO WITH IT.

Mrs. Henry Newmann, President, No. 30 Marlborough road; Miss Martha Prieley, Vice-President, No. 157 Decatur street; Miss Theodore Goldsmith, Secretary, No. 58 Cambridge place; Isadora Rotherosen, Treasurer, No. 2617 Newkirk avenue.

Miss Brown has done exceptional social welfare work in her district. By her personal effort she raised \$1,000 and with it ran and maintained a playground for the children of her school district during the summer of 1912. Two college men, one college woman and an assistant, a physical director and watchman were employed.

The discipline maintained was wonderful—over 30 children were benefited each day by wholesome, well organized play on well kept green grass, instead of squabbling and fighting on the dirty, dusty lanes which bear the name of city streets, as had been their only alternative in the past.

In the fall of 1912 Miss Brown organized the Extension Association to carry forward the social work so much needed in that neighborhood.

By February permission had been gained from the Board of Education to use the school building as their social centre.

Mothers' club, girls' social clubs and others were formed. A Friday night dance was organized, over 300 young people coming each week. Admission was charged and \$125 has been realized.

With this money the young men and girls have been able to pay for the rental of the field for the playground this coming summer. The rent, \$125, and the equipment bought and used last year have been turned over to the Board of Education, and this summer they are to assume the management of the playground. Miss Brown and her workers having other plans to which to devote all their energies.

Among these are the establishment of a milk station, a free ice depot and the conduct of a Better Babies' Contest.

Another Championship for Moore. LONDON, July 1.—Judge W. H. Moore of New York to-day won another championship at the International Horse show at Olympia, when he secured in Class 36 the Forest King trophy for ponies not exceeding fourteen hands, which had taken a first or second prize in single harness during the show. The winner was his Lady's horse.

This is the much talked of "X-ray" gown that is being worn in Paris, particularly at the race tracks. A woman attired in one never fails to become the subject of comment and observation, and in the streets they have almost as large a following as a circus procession.

The most startling effect of these gowns is when the wearer gets between the sun or an electric light and the spectator. Some of the actresses, dress-makers' models and women prominent in the night life of the gay French capital, who wear the more transparent of the "X-ray" gowns, have tights underneath them.

CAVALIERI TO WED TENOR MURATORE, REPORT IN PARIS

Secret Preparations Reported Under Way for Wedding at Her Country Home.

PARIS, July 1.—Preparations are being secretly made, confidential friends of the diva say, for the wedding of Mme. Cavalleri and the tenor, Muratore, which is to take place privately, they assert, at the soprano's country house near this city at the end of next month.

Only Mme. Cavalleri's relatives are to be invited, and, according to the Italian custom, all her cousins and aunts, including her great aunts and second cousins, are coming from Italy. Some are expected within the next few days.

Since her return from the United States, where she repeatedly denied being engaged to the divorced husband of Mme. Haritz, the soprano of the Boston Opera Company, Mme. Cavalleri has been living an unusually retired life here. The tenor is said to be very jealous.

After their honeymoon Mme. Cavalleri and her husband are going to America and will have an opportunity of meeting Mrs. Haritz. Henry Russell has engaged them for the principal roles for the production at Boston next season of Zandoni and d'Annunzio's "Francesca da Rimini."

Tomorrow, Wednesday, CLOSED FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, July 1-3.

4th of July Waist Sale

Voiles and Batistes; All-white or with Touches of Color; Flat Collars; Jabots Positive \$1 and \$1.50 Values. Special 59c

Sensational selling undoubtedly will attend this brilliant achievement in waist values tomorrow. Several hundred ideal creations in the collection—graceful effects that represent the highest types of the mid-season. A bargain without compare.

4th of July Skirt Sale

Cleverest of the Season's Ideas in Very Latest Cordelines and Piques; Genuine \$2 and \$3 Values, now

The price of these skirts should really not be considered as a criterion of the matchless values in this sale assembled. As a matter of fact these skirts have been marked at this sensational figure ONLY to fill the pressing requirements of patrons, who, at this eleventh hour, desire a perfectly made skirt of ultra smart lines at a minimum price. These skirts meet the demand.

4th of July Dress Sale

Ornate or Simple Summer Designs in Voiles, Ratines and Pretty Tissues; Actual \$7, \$8 and \$10 Values, now

Our dress offerings this season have occasioned more than passing remark by those best competent to judge. The crowning point of these values undoubtedly will be reached in this amazing opportunity. We give every assurance that it will prove of vast interest and advantage to you to inspect these beautiful models WHILE THE PRICE IS SO LOW.

4th of July Coat Sale

Stunning Novelties for Outings, in Rich Mixtures and Diagonals; Splendid \$5, \$8 and \$10 Values, at

Perhaps the best evidence we could offer that these matchless coats are superior in every way is the fact that they were ALL made up to present as a particularly attractive value at \$5, \$8 and \$10. As an EXTRA attraction, in view of the universal need for stylish coats inexpensively priced at this time, these handsome models will be placed on sale at \$3.00.

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SALE AT ALL FOUR STORES PHARMACIA

ONCE MILLIONAIRE, FINANCIAL BARON IS NOW IN BANKRUPTCY

Alfred Bishop Mason, Prominent in Railroad, Banking and Social Circles, Files Petition.

Alfred Bishop Mason, broker, former railroad man, single taxer and author, to-day filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court. His liabilities are set at \$25,464.38. The assets are said to be nominal. They consist of money due aggregating \$2,108.50; insurance policies, \$750; Western National Packing Company's stock and royalties on "Holt's Constitutional Law" (3 vols.), "Tom Strong, Washington Scout," and "Tom Strong, Boy Captain," published by Holt & Co. of Chicago. The value of the royalties is unknown. Mr. Mason, through his writings, his railroad dealings and buildings and promotions, and of late, his heckling of Andrew Carnegie, has been much to the public eye. Some years ago he was rated as a millionaire several times over. In 1908 he was sued for \$500,000 by John W. Alexander of Philadelphia, which the latter claimed as his share of the profits in the construction of the Vera Cruz and Pacific Railway of Mexico.

Mason obtained a concession in 1900 for a railroad in Colombia through President Reyes, whom he had entertained when the general was in this country on business relating to the troubles arising from the creating of the Department of Panama into an independent Republic. The construction of the railroad fell through after a big loan had been received by the promoters from the Bank of Colombia. The bank foreclosed and Mason brought suit for \$10,000,000, but did not get the money.

Mr. Mason, in January, as president of the Manhattan Single Tax Club, wrote several letters to Andrew Carnegie, the burden of which was that the loan master, in registering \$150,000,000 of bonds, had admitted that he had been worth at least that much for the past ten years and that he had never paid taxes for more than \$5,000,000.

He told Carnegie that he owed \$500,000 in taxes, and that he had put a burden on dwellers in tenements who had to pay part of what he should have paid. Carnegie replied to him, saying that he had always paid what the assessor had demanded without question, and that no man could be expected to do more than this.

Mrs. Mason, who was also an author, died of heart trouble in January, 1912. The couple had been active in social affairs where both were always welcome for their entertaining powers.

Chalmers Can't Get More Cash. Supreme Court Justice Gieschick refused to-day to increase the annual allowance of \$17,000 to \$23,000 to John Armstrong Chalmers, the author of "Who's Who's Now?" and brother of former Sheriff "Boss" Chalmers of Dutchess County. The Justice declared that in denying the petition he was actuated by the belief that the petitioner's reasons urged for the increase were not what they ought to be.